Amount collected by SCICI

115. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount of money collected by S.C.I.C.I. from the auction of seized deep-sea fishing vessels in Visakhapatnam, since 1986, giving annual figures upto 1992-93; and

(b) what are the full details including size of respective auctioned fishings vessels?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) A sum of Rs. 40.55 lakhs was received (including Rs. 19.66 lakhs in form of bank guarantee) by public auction of seized deep sea fishing vessels by Receiver in Visakhapatnam during 1992-93. No deep-sea fishing vessel was auctioned during 1987-88 to 1991-92.

(b) The following vessels were sold by the Receiver at the public auction held at Visakhapatnam on December 22, 1992:

Name of Vessel	Name of Fishing Company	Length of Vessel
MFV Sun Shine	M/s. Rainbow Sea Foods	23.07 M
MFV Sun Rise	Do.	23.07 M
MFV Mayil	M/s. Cholamandal Shipping	21.75 M
MFV Blue Caravan	M/s. Seagull Sea Foods	21.75 M

Vacant posts in State Bank of India

116. SHRI T. A. MOHAMMED SAQHY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some posts of JMGS-I are lying unfilled in various branches of State Bank of India under State Bank of India, Zonal Office, Meerut for the last five years;

(b) if so, what are those branches where these posts are lying vacant for such a long period;

(c) whether it is a fact that bank's work has suffered and rendering of better services to the customers has also been affected due to non-filling of those posts; and

(d) by when these are likely to be filled up in the interest of the bank's work?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and, to the extent available will be laid on the Table of the House.

Security operation to check smuggling

117. DR. SANJAYA SINHA: Will Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Navy had recently set in motion a combined security operation with the Coast Guard along the Western Coast to check smuggling activities;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether it has been a success so far?